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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 9 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1998) and 1244 (1999)

Other matters

11.15 a.m. (sharp) 4409th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

(continued overleaf)

FIFTY-SIXTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

General debate
(10-16 November 2001)

The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) for the general debate of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly is now available in room S-3001. The provisional list of speakers (No. 6) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative).

Live and archived Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly will be available on the General Assembly Web site (http://www.un.org/ga/webcast/56).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general debate, in one of the official languages of the United Nations, to dpi@un.int for posting on the General Assembly Web site.

Morning*	4410th (closed) meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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* To be held following the 4409th meeting.

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MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	1470th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m.	42nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

3 p.m.	43rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Adoption of the agenda of the fifty-sixth regular session of the General Assembly, organization of work and allocation of items: third report of the General Committee (A/56/250/Add.2) [8]
2. United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [87]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.7 to L.13

2. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.18

3. Organization of work

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Environment and sustainable development [98]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.20

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.20 (item 98)

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* Following the adjournment of the 26th meeting of the Second Committee.

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	35th meeting	Conference Room 1

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)] (A/56/168, A/56/190, A/56/204, A/56/207 and Add.1, A/56/209, A/56/212, A/56/230, A/56/253, A/56/254 and Add.1, A/56/255, A/56/256, A/56/258, A/56/263, A/56/271, A/56/292, A/56/310, A/56/334, A/56/341, A/56/344)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)] (A/C.3/56/4, A/C.3/56/7*, A/56/210, A/56/217, A/56/220, A/56/278, A/56/281, A/56/312, A/56/327, A/56/336, A/56/337, A/56/340, A/56/409 and Add.1, A/56/440, A/56/460, A/56/479, A/56/505)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)] (A/56/36 and Add.1)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)] (A/56/36 and Add.1)

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Iraq

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Burundi

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representative

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	36th meeting	Conference Room 1

Rights of peoples to self-determination [118]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.33

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)] (A/56/168, A/56/190, A/56/204, A/56/207 and Add.1, A/56/209, A/56/212, A/56/230, A/56/253, A/56/254 and Add.1, A/56/255, A/56/256, A/56/258, A/56/263, A/56/271, A/56/292, A/56/310, A/56/334, A/56/341, A/56/344)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)] (A/C.3/56/4, A/C.3/56/7*, A/56/210, A/56/217, A/56/220, A/56/278, A/56/281, A/56/312, A/56/327, A/56/336, A/56/337, A/56/340, A/56/409 and Add.1, A/56/440, A/56/460, A/56/479, A/56/505)

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* To be issued.

Introductory statements by:

Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief

Special Rapporteur on the right to food

Statement on behalf of:

Representative of the Secretary-General on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons

(To be presented by the representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteurs

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	27th meeting	Conference Room 3

United Nations common system [127] (A/56/30 and A/56/485)

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning*-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part VI: Human rights and humanitarian affairs *(continued)*:

Section 23: Protection of and assistance to refugees

Section 24: Palestine refugees

Section 25: Humanitarian assistance

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Sections 22-25), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003):

Part VII: Public Information (Section 26)

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 26), A/56/7 and A/56/16)

Part VIII: Common support services (Section 27, A to G)

(A/56/6 and Corr.1 (Section 27, sub-items A to G, A/56/7; A/56/16 and A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1)

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* Following the adjournment of the 27th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [159] (A/C.6/56/L.13)

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country [163] (A/56/26, A/C.6/56/L.15)

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-fourth session [161] (A/C.6/56/L.8, A/C.6/56/L.10, A/C.6/56/L.11, A/C.6/56/L.12)

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165]

Action on draft proposals A/C.6/56/L.6/Rev.1 and L.14)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (b) (Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held *today*, 9 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 30 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea), will be held *today*, 9 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Today, Friday, 9 November 2001, there will be meetings of interested delegations on draft proposals as follows:

Conference Room C-209B: A/C.2/56/L.4 (item 100), from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a.m.;

Trusteeship Council Chamber: A/C.2/56/L.11 (Programme budget implications: A/C.2/56/L.19) (item 98 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Conference Room C: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for this consultation.

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet *today*, 9 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal briefing

As a follow-up to commitments made during the humanitarian affairs segment of the Economic and Social Council in July 2001, Mr. Kenzo Oshima, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, will provide an informal briefing *today*, 9 November 2001, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 8, to the members of the Economic and Social Council and other interested Member States on the humanitarian response to the Afghanistan crisis. Following the briefing, the Director of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs will introduce the Secretary-General's note on "Enhancing the functioning and utilization of the Central Emergency Revolving Fund" (A/55/649), which is being considered under agenda item 20 (a).

Announcement

The debate on agenda item 25 in the General Assembly (United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations) will be Webcast live on the Internet at the following address: http://www.un.org/webcast/ ga/yeardac/. The official Web site for the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations, with current and background information and documentation, can be found at http://www. un.org/Dialogue/ with links to each of the versions of the five other official language versions.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 9 November 2001

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 100 (International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues (A/C.2/56/L.4)))

10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on agenda item 95 (c) (Science and technology for development))

11.30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(Briefing by the Facilitator of the Preparatory Committee of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

2 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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There will be meetings of the 2001 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament *today*, 9 November 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) (Columbia University) are jointly conducting a Columbia/UNITAR workshop on civil-military coordination in peace-building. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held *today*, 9 November 2001 from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Panel discussion

The discussion with human rights Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives and Independent Experts on "Human Rights Challenges and Priorities in the Post-September 11 Era", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, will be held *today*, 9 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panellists will be Ms. Kalliopi Koufa, Special Rapporteur on terrorism and human rights; Mr. Maurice Copithorne, Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran; Mr. José Cutileiro, Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; Mr. John Dugard, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967; Mr. Paulo Sergio Pinheiro, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar; and Mr. Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur on the right to food.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, 10 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

9 a.m. 44th PLENARY MEETING* General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fernando Henrique Cardoso, President of the Federative Republic of Brazil
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Thabo Mbeki, President of the Republic of South Africa
4. Address by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Vicente Fox, President of the United Mexican States
6. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Batlle Ibáñez, President of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay
7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Fernando de la Rúa, President of the Argentine Republic
8. Address by His Excellency Mr. Hugo Chávez Frías, President of the Republic of Venezuela
9. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ricardo Lagos, President of the Republic of Chile
10. Address by His Excellency Mr. Sayed Mohammad Khatami, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran
11. Opening of the general debate [9]:

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Prime Minister of the Republic of India

    Address by His Excellency Mr. Lee Han-dong, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea

    Belgium

    Ukraine

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* The Secretary-General will make a statement at the outset of the 44th plenary meeting.

3 p.m. 45th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency General Pervez Musharraf, President and Chief Executive of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Andrés Pastrana Arango, President of the Republic of Colombia
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alejandro Toledo Manrique, President of the Republic of Peru
4. Address by His Excellency Mr. Milan Kucan, President of the Republic of Slovenia
5. Address by His Excellency Mr. Jorge Quiroga Ramírez, President of the Republic of Bolivia
6. Address by His Excellency Dr. Frederick Chiluba, President of the Republic of Zambia

7. Address by His Excellency Mr. Ion Iliescu, President of Romania

8. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Percival James Patterson, MP, Prime Minister and Minister for Defence of Jamaica

Address by His Excellency Mr. Alhaji Aliu Mahama, Vice-President of the Republic of Ghana

France

Andorra

Canada

Zimbabwe

Honduras

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 39 (Towards global partnerships), organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) will be held on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 9. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Friday, 16 November 2001, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room B, and on Monday, 19 November, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 119 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Monday, 12 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative of the Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); Mr. Peter Leuprecht (Special Representative of the Secretary-General for human rights in Cambodia); and Ms. Hina Jilani (Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Defenders).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Special event

The United Nations Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Task Force will be launched by the Secretary-General on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council will be present. This event will be webcasted live on www.unicttaskforce.org.

Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Interim Task Force Secretariat (tel.: (212) 963-5796).

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its second regular session (10-14 December 2001) will take place on Monday, 26 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. All delegations are invited to attend.

Second regular session for 2001

The second regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 10 to 14 December 2001 in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2001/12. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF (fax: (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 23 November 2001.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

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Comprehensive-Nuclear-Test Ban Treaty

CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) has now been rescheduled to take place from 11 to 13 November 2001 in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Delegations who have not yet inscribed in the list of speakers for the general exchange of views (item 10 of the draft provisional agenda of the Conference - document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/1/Rev.2) are kindly asked to communicate their request in writing to the secretariat of the Conference (room S-3140). States will be enlisted on a first-come-first served basis, with the proviso that representatives at the highest level will be given priority.

Furthermore, in accordance with item 11 of the draft provisional agenda, States which have not signed the Treaty will be able to make statements at the Conference. Delegations wishing to be inscribed in the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference.

For enquiries regarding the provisional list of speakers, please contact Ms. Anita Ng (tel.: (212) 963-5976; fax: (212) 963-8892).

As a general guidance, it is assumed that speakers, at the discretion of the President, will talk for up to five minutes each. The secretariat also wishes to advise that it is the wish of the majority of the States which have ratified the CTBT that the Conference be attended at a high level.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for representatives of ratifiers and the names of alternate representatives and advisers, in accordance with rule 3 of the draft rules of procedure (document CTBT-Art.XIV/2001/2). Credentials may be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

A list of participants will be prepared for the Conference on the basis of credentials and/or written lists of delegations that are provided to the Secretariat of the Conference. This information should be submitted to Ms. Mika Murakami, Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140D, tel.: (212) 963-9309, fax: (212) 963-8892).

Delegations are invited to send in advance by e-mail the electronic version of the text of their statements in the general exchange of views, in one of the official languages of the Conference, to dpi@un.int for posting on the Conference Web site.

Archived Webcast of the proceeding of the Conference will be available (starting on Monday, 26 November) on the Conference Web site on the Internet.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Islamic Group on Monday, 12 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on agenda item 117 (Racism and racial discrimination))* on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the State Members of the League of Arab States on Tuesday, 13 November 2001, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 6.

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The annual meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs and Heads of delegation of the Non-Aligned Movement will take place on Wednesday, 14 November 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization on Tuesday, 20 November 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited.

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Seminar

Due to scheduling conflicts, the seminar on "The Legal Dimension of the Changing Landscape of Development", organized by the World Bank, scheduled for Monday, 12 November 2001, has been postponed until further notice.

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Verifying the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT): Capabilities, Progress and Challenges", organized by the delegations of Australia, Canada and Sweden, in cooperation with the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC), on Monday, 12 November 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Welcoming remarks will be made by Mr. Jayantha Dhanapala, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs, followed by opening statements by representatives of Australia, Canada and Sweden. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the German Management Academy (DMAN) are jointly organizing the annual Campus on Public-Private Partnership for Development of Infrastructure and Social Services. The campus, to be conducted in English, will be held in New York from Tuesday to Friday, 4 to 7 December 2001, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, the draft programme and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. The registration deadline is Friday, 23 November. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Thursday, 1 November 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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A Web site of the Presidency of the Security Council has been established with effect on Thursday, 1 November 2001 and can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency.

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The Web site of the President of the General Assembly can be visited at the following address: http://www.un.org/ga/president. The President's statements and a summary of his daily activities are available on this Web site.

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The English, French and Spanish Web sites of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.un.org/docs/sc/committees/1373; http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373; and http://www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html.

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During the Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development (Rio+10), the Permanent Mission of Indonesia has set up a Web site that can be visited at the following addresses: http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org *or* http://www.un.int/indonesia.

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During the Belgian presidency of the European Union, statements made at the United Nations on behalf of the European Union are available at the following Web site address: http://www.un.int/belgium.

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 7 November 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

39th plenary meeting

Elections to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other elections: election of the members of the International Law Commission [16 (a)]

(a) Notes by the Secretary-General concerning the candidates (A/56/117 and Corr.1 and Add.1-3)

(b) Note by the Secretary-General concerning the consolidated list of candidates (A/56/486 and Corr.1)

(c) Curricula vitae (A/56/124 and Add.1)

On the first round of balloting, the following persons, having obtained the required majority and having received the greatest number of votes, were elected members of the International Law Commission for a five-year term beginning on 1 January 2002:

Mr. Emmanuel Akwei Addo (Ghana)
Mr. Husain M. Al-Baharna (Bahrain)
Mr. Ali Mohsen Fetais Al-Marri (Qatar)
Mr. João Clemente Baena Soares (Brazil)
Mr. Ian Brownlie (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)
Mr. Enrique J. A. Candioti (Argentina)
Mr. Choung Il Chee (Republic of Korea)
Mr. Pedro Comissario Afonso (Mozambique)
Mr. Riad Daoudi (Syrian Arab Republic)
Mr. Christopher John Dugard (South Africa)
Ms. Paula Escarameia (Portugal)
Mr. Salifou Fomba (Mali)
Mr. Giorgio Gaja (Italy)
Mr. Zdzislaw W. Galicki (Poland)
Ms. Xue Hanqin (China)
Mr. Adegoke Ajibola Ige (Nigeria)
Mr. Maurice Kamto (Cameroon)
Mr. James L. Kateka (United Republic of Tanzania)
Mr. Fathi Kemicha (Tunisia)
Mr. Martti Koskenniemi (Finland)
Mr. Valery Kuznetsov (Russian Federation)
Mr. William Mansfield (New Zealand)
Mr. Bernd H. Niehaus (Costa Rica)
Mr. Didier Opertti Badan (Uruguay)
Mr. Guillaume Pambou-Tchivounda (Gabon)
Mr. Alain Pellet (France)
Mr. Pemmaraju Sreenivasa Rao (India)
Mr. Victor Rodríguez-Cedeño (Venezuela)
Mr. Robert Rosenstock (United States of America)
Mr. Bernardo Sepúlveda (Mexico)
Mr. Bruno Simma (Germany)
Mr. Peter Tomka (Slovakia)
Mr. Chusei Yamada (Japan)

Since two candidates have received an equal number of votes for a remaining seat to be filled from among Asian States, the General Assembly proceeded to a special round of balloting restricted to those two candidates.

The results of the second round of balloting (first restricted) were as follows:

	Votes
Mr. Djamchid Momtaz (Islamic Republic of Iran)	89
Mr. Kriangsak Kittichaisaree (Thailand)	85

Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Djamchid Momtaz (Islamic Republic of Iran) was elected a member of the International Law Commission for a five-year term beginning on 1 January 2002.

The General Assembly concluded its consideration of agenda item 16 (a).

Thursday, 8 November 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4406th meeting

The situation in Burundi

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uganda, Chairman of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi; the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Burundi; the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; the Permanent Representative of Ethiopia; the Permanent Representative of Gabon; the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ghana; the Permanent Representative of Kenya; the Deputy Permanent Representative of Nigeria; the Special Envoy to the President of Rwanda; the Permanent Representative of Senegal; the Permanent Representative of South Africa; the Min-

ister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania; and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zambia at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Berhanu Dinka, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region and Chairman of the Implementation Monitoring Committee and Mr. Amadou Kebe, Permanent Observer of the Organization of the African Unity/African Union.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

A statement was made by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region and Chairman of the Implementation Monitoring Committee.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi.

The President made a statement.

4407th (private) meeting

The situation in Burundi

The Security Council met in private. The following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"At its 4407th meeting, held in private on 8 November 2001 at 3.50 p.m., the Security Council continued its consideration of the situation in Burundi.

"The President extended invitations in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rules 37 and 39 of its provisional rules of procedure, as appropriate, to the members of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi, as well as the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes Region and Chairman of the Implementation Monitoring Committee and the Permanent Observer of the Organization of the African Unity/African Union.

"The members of the Council and the members of the Regional Peace Initiative on Burundi had a frank and constructive discussion."

4408th meeting

The situation in Burundi

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2001/33).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

40th plenary meeting

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

The General Assembly decided to hear the observers of the Holy See and Switzerland in the debate on agenda item 25.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Abdelaziz Belkhadem, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Algeria, and by the representatives of China, India, Kuwait, Burkina Faso, Singapore, Egypt, Belarus, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Morocco, Yemen, Chile, Kazakhstan, the Russian Federation, Mongolia and Ukraine.

41st plenary meeting

United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilization [25]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/523)

(b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.3)

Statements were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, Cyprus, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Qatar, Bhutan, Norway, Mexico, Israel, Armenia and Indonesia.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 16th meeting

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [88]

The Committee concluded its general debate on this item with statements by the representatives of Ghana, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Arab Emirates, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Pakistan, Brunei Darussalam, Kuwait, Bahrain, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, and the associated countries, Cyprus, Malta and Turkey), Tunisia, Yemen, Israel, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

The observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representative of Iraq, the observer of Palestine and by the representtives of Kuwait, Malaysia and Israel.

Organization of work

The Chairman drew attention to the draft resolutions relating to agenda items 87 (A/C.4/56/L.7 to L.13) and 88 (A/C.4/56/L.14 to L.18), on which the Committee would take action at its next meeting on Friday, 9 November, in the morning.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

THIRD COMMITTEE 33rd meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)]

The Committee began its consideration of the sub-items.

The Director of the New York Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights made an introductory statement.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan, in which the representatives of the Russian Federation, Liechtenstein, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya took part.

The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in which the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Liechtenstein, Singapore, Australia and Senegal took part.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 made an introductory statement.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 in which the observer for Palestine and the representatives of Egypt, Israel, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Qatar and Jordan took part.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement on the organization of the Committee's work.

34th meeting

Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing [109]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/L.6/Rev.1 and programme budget implications contained in document A/C.3/56/L.19

The Secretary read out the oral revision that had been made to the text when the draft resolution was introduced.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement in which he announced that Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Spain and Sweden had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution. Subsequently, Andorra, Belarus, Croatia, Monaco, Norway, Portugal, Russian Federation, San Marino, Ukraine and Viet Nam joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised, without a vote.

Following the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Australia (also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand) and Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [116]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.30

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Secretary of the Committee read out the correction that had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction.

The representative of Denmark announced that Armenia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic and Nicaragua had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 116.

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [119 (b)]

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [119 (c)]

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [119 (d)]

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [119 (e)]

An introductory statement was made by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Sudan in which the representatives of Sudan, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, the United States, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), Cuba, Malaysia, the Russian Federation, Morocco, Chad and the Islamic Republic of Iran took part.

The representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights introduced the report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, Rwanda and Belgium (on behalf of the European Union).

FIFTH COMMITTEE 26th meeting

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Reformulated narrative (Section 8: Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11/Rev.1)

Reformulated narrative (Section 27C: Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1)

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the revised reformulated narratives for Section 8 (Legal affairs) (A/C.5/56/11/Rev.1) and Section 27C (Office of Human Resources Management) (A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1).

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The representative of Portugal, in his capacity as coordinator of informal consultations on this agenda item, made a statement.

Following a statement by the Chairman, statements were made by the representatives of Algeria and Canada.

The Chairman made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 23rd meeting

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [165]

The representative of Egypt introduced draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.14.

The representative of the Ukraine introduced the revised draft resolution A/C.6/56/L.6/Rev.1.

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-third session [162]

Statements were made by the representatives of Bahrain, France, Mexico, Haiti and Italy. The Chairman spoke.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Agreement concerning the Establishing of Global Technical Regulations for Wheeled Vehicles, Equipment and Parts which can be fitted and/or be used on Wheeled Vehicles. Geneva, 25 June 1998

Accession: Slovakia (7 November 2001)*

TREATY EVENT - MULTILATERAL TREATIES ON TERRORISM (UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS) (10-16 November 2001)

Signature of, and deposit of instruments relating to multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General

The above event will take place from 10 November to 16 November 2001 at United Nations Headquarters. Appropriate facilities, including media coverage, will be made available for treaty actions to be undertaken in a solemn setting.

Delegations that have notified the Secretary-General, in response to his letter of 4 October 2001, and those still intending to do so, of their intention to sign or deposit instruments relating to multilateral treaties under his custody, in particular those concerning terrorism, are advised to contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs promptly to arrange appointments (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

Delegations were also requested to submit copies of instruments including, where appropriate, texts of declarations and reservations, and, as necessary, required full powers to the Treaty Section at the latest by 7 November 2001 for verification.

It is recalled that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign treaties must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of specified treaties by a named representative issued by one of these authorities. Advice on full powers may be obtained from the Treaty Section. Further information on the event will be provided closer to 10 November 2001.

The texts and status of multilateral treaties which address various aspects of terrorism, can be obtained at the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site (http://untreaty.un.org.), including the following four Conventions deposited with the Secretary-General:

Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes against Internationally Protected Persons including Diplomatic Agents. New York, 14 December 1973;

International Convention against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979;

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997; and

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999.

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special event on the occasion of the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations

Today, 9 November 2001, at 12 noon, immediately following the adjournment of the 42nd plenary meeting of the General Assembly, a special event will take place in the General Assembly Hall, to hear statements by members of a group of eminent persons appointed by the Secretary-General on the occasion of the United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations, as well as H.E. Mr. Ahmad Jalali, President of UNESCO's General Conference. Statements will be made by the following seven eminent persons:

Dr. A. Kamal Aboulmagd (Egypt), Professor of Public Law, Cairo University, and Judge of the World Bank Administrative Tribunal;

Dr. Lourdes Arizpe (Mexico), Professor at the National University of Mexico, Vice-President for the International Social Science Council (ISSC), former Assistant Director-General for Culture at UNESCO;

Dr. Ruth Cardoso (Brazil), President, Comunidade Solidaria, and member of the Board of the United Nations Foundation;

Dr. Nadine Gordimer (South Africa), Author and Nobel laureate for literature;

Professor Sergey Kapitza (Russian Federation), Kapitza Institute for Physical Problems, Russian Academy of Sciences, and Professor of Physics at the Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology;

Dr. Hans Küng (Switzerland), Professor of Ecumenical Theology, University of Tübingen, President of the Foundation for a Global Ethic (Weltethos);

Dr. Javad Zarif (Islamic Republic of Iran), Professor of International Law, Teheran University, and Deputy Foreign Minister; and

H.E. Mr. Ahmad Jalali, President of UNESCO's General Conference.

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